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Spring 2006 April • May • June

SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA



A Quarterly Calendar of Events & Programs published by the National Park Service

SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE



Spring is the ideal time for exploring the Santa Monica Mountains. The Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center is one of the best kept secrets within the recreation area. In the shadow of Boney Mountain and surrounded by stunning natural vistas, you have the opportunity to meet gifted artisans and educators in person.

Satwiwa is a learning center for all people to share traditional and contemporary life-ways. The Center is a collective effort among the Chumash, Tongva, other Native Peoples of the Americas, and the National Park Service. Look for the free cultural workshops listed every other Sunday in this publication. I invite you to enjoy the traditional art of storytelling, listen to some inspiring flute music, make a basket, learn extraordinary plant uses, or see a fine art exhibit. Experience how, at Satwiwa, we can honor the past, celebrate the present, and create the future.

Woody Smeck

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Superintendent



National Park Service
Info: 805-370-2301

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center **Sundays, 10am to 12pm and 1pm to 3pm**

4/9 Experience the art of storytelling with Susan Diaz.

4/30 Create your own prayer stick with Michael Williams.

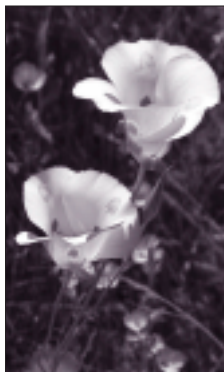
5/14 Make a friendship bracelet and learn traditional plant uses from Oscar Ortiz.

5/28 Weave a pine needle basket with Kathryn James.

6/11 Make gourd art with David Snooks. *Reservations & Info: 805-375-1930*

6/25 Draw and paint with Michael Williams.

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HOW TO USE THIS CALENDAR



This symbol indicates programs that can be accessed via the ParkLINK shuttle.

Shuttle info:
1-888-734-2323



Date - Activities occurring on a specific day are listed in order of the time they occur.

Time - If a *single time* is listed, the program begins at that time and lasts for the number of hours indicated. If a *span of time* is listed, you may attend the program any time within those hours.

Location - Directions to listed parkland areas are found on pages 17 and 21. *Between these pages and in the center of the publication is a map of the national recreation area. These pages may be removed together for easy reference.*

Reservation/Program Fee - Will be indicated if required. *Note: A parking fee may be required at some park sites.*

Length - The approximate length of the program is indicated in hours (abbreviated hrs).

Sponsoring Agency - The acronym for the agency sponsoring the activity is listed. See page 3 for a list of participating organizations and their phone numbers to call for further information. You may also contact:

National Park Service Visitor Center
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Or visit us on the World Wide Web:
<http://www.nps.gov/samo>



REGULARLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

Circle X Ranch	Group camping, hiking, picnicking in high mountain country. 15 miles of trails. Guided walks as scheduled. Camping fee. NPS
Cold Creek Preserve	Open daily by reservation only for group and individual walks. Scheduled interpretive plant and bird walks. Tours for private groups may be arranged. 818-591-1701. CCD/MRT
Coldwater Canyon Park	TreePeople location. Nursery open WED 10am to noon, and SAT from 2pm to 4pm. TP
Franklin Canyon Ranch/ Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr	Open daily. Hiking, picnicking and nature trails. Regularly scheduled naturalist programs. WODOC/MRCA
Leo Carrillo State Park	Campfire programs and hikes as scheduled. Camping. Visitor center open 10am to 3pm weekends. Parking fee. CSP
Malibu Creek State Park	Camping, picnicking, fishing, hiking, bicycling and equestrian trails. Visitor center open weekends noon to 4pm. Crafts and games for children on first and third SAT of month 12:15pm to 2:30pm. Regularly scheduled naturalist walks and group programs by reservation. Day-use parking fee. CSP/MCD
Malibu Lagoon State Beach/ Historic Adamson House	Tours of historic Adamson House and museum WED thru SAT 11am to 3pm. Reservations required for 12 or more. TUES: groups by reservation. Tour fees. Bird walks at the state beach lagoon. Parking fee. CSP/MLMD/SMBAS
Paramount Ranch	Western town movie set. Ranger-led programs as scheduled; call 805-370-2301 for exact dates. Picnicking. Equestrian and hiking trails. NPS
Peter Strauss Ranch	Open 8am to sunset daily. Hillside loop trail, picnicking. Concerts as scheduled. NPS
Point Mugu State Park	Camping, picnicking, hiking, bicycling and equestrian trails. Naturalist programs as scheduled. Parking fee. CSP
Rancho Sierra Vista/ Satwiwa	Hiking, bicycling and equestrian trails with access to Point Mugu State Park. Culture center is open on SAT & SUN 9am to 5pm. NPS
Rocky Oaks	Hiking and equestrian trails, picnic area. NPS
Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area Visitor Center	Open daily from 9am to 5pm and closed some holidays. Info on Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area and other national parks. Exhibits and bookstore. NPS
Temescal Gateway Park	Open daily. Hiking, picnicking and overnight group accommodations available. Parking fee. MRCA
Topanga State Park	Hiking, picnicking, equestrian and mountain bike trails. Docent-led walks as scheduled. Parking fee. CSP/TCB

**Will Rogers
State Historic Park**

Park grounds open 8am to sunset. Parking fee. Call 310-454-8212 for more information. CSP/WRD

**UCLA Stunt Ranch Santa
Monica Mountains Reserve**

Environmental research and education. K-12, university level, and community programs. By prior approval only 310-206-3887. News for Kids website <http://nrs.ucop.edu/reserves/stunt/newsforkids.html> SRSMMR

PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS



AASMM	Allied Artists, Santa Monica Mountains 310-457-9130
CCD	Cold Creek Docents 818-591-1701
CMPRD	City of Malibu Parks & Recreation Dept 310-317-1364
CNI	The Children's Nature Institute 310-860-9484
CNPS	California Native Plant Society 818-348-5910
CORBA	Concerned Off-Road Bicyclists Assn 818-773-3555
CRPD	Conejo Recreation & Park District 805-495-2163
CSP	California State Parks 818-880-0350
CW	Coastwalk 310-394-2799
FORC	Friends of Runyon Canyon 323-666-5004
LACP	Los Angeles County Recreation & Parks Dept 213-738-2961
LANABA	L.A. Chapter of the North American Butterfly Assn 310-454-4279
MCD	Malibu Creek Docents 818-889-6238
MLMD	Malibu Lagoon Museum Docents 310-456-8432
MRCA	Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority 310-858-7272
MRT	Mountains Restoration Trust 818-591-1701
NOW	The Nature of Wildworks 310-455-0550
NPS	National Park Service 805-370-2301
RCDSMM	Resource Conserv. District of the Santa Monica Mtns 310-455-1030
SC	Sierra Club 213-387-4287
SFVAS	San Fernando Valley Audubon Society 310-457-5796
SFVGP	San Fernando Valley Gourd Patch 818-996-3606
SMBAS	Santa Monica Bay Audubon Society 310-393-6205
SMMC	Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy 310-589-3200
SMMF	Santa Monica Mountains Fund 805-370-2341
SMMNHA	Santa Monica Mountains Natural History Association 805-488-1827
SMMTC	Santa Monica Mountains Trails Council 818-222-4531
SRSMMR	UCLA Stunt Ranch Santa Monica Mountains Reserve 310-206-3887
TCA	Temescal Canyon Association 310-459-5931
TCD	Topanga Canyon Docents 818-758-1964
TOPAW	Thousand Oaks Plein Air Watercolorists 805-494-1700
TP	TreePeople 818-753-4600
WODOC	William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom 310-858-7272x131
WRD	Will Rogers State Historic Park Docents 310-454-8212

SPRING PROGRAMS

A P R I L



SAT 4/1

Ranger's Favorites

Join Ranger Mike at one of his favorite park sites. This month's topic is movie history. Visit www.nps.gov/samo or call 805 370-2301 for our surprise location and time. NPS

SAT 4/1

8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains

Santa Monica Mtns Trail

Work Tools and instructions provided. Bring gloves, water and lunch. Call for meeting time/place: 310-559-3126. 5.5hrs SC

SAT 4/1

8:30am

Cold Creek Preserve

Trail Work-Upper Stunt

High Trail Help repair trails. Bring lunch, water, gloves, long-sleeve shirt, and eye protection. For location: 818-222-4531. 6hrs SMMTC

SAT 4/1

9am

Malibu Creek State Park

Wildflowers of Malibu

Creek Enjoy a leisurely 2-mile stroll on this docent-led walk. Meet in the lower parking lot. 2hrs MCD

Point Mugu

& Leo Carrillo

State Parks

Docent Training

April 1 and April 8

Saturday, 9am to 3pm

Volunteer at your State Parks in West Malibu!

Join us for a free, fun, hands-on training and get ready for an adventure that lasts more than a lifetime. Natural and cultural heritage of these parks plus interpretive methods will be introduced and explored.

Reservations: 805-488-1827

SAT 4/1



9am

Peter Strauss Ranch

Natural & Cultural History

of Site Visit historical sites. Enjoy ferns and wildflowers along a trail bordered by oaks. 2hrs TCD

SAT 4/1

9am

Malibu Creek State Park

Introduction to Mountain

Bike Skills Learn backcountry preparedness, shared-use etiquette, and riding fundamentals. *Bicycle and helmet required. Rain cancels.* Info: www.corbamtb.com or 805-558-1606. 4hrs CORBA

California State Parks

April Programs

Every Saturday, 10am

Point Mugu State Park

Every Sunday, 10am

Leo Carrillo State Park

Adventure with a Ranger Join a ranger for an hour to explore some of the many wonders of the park. Bring water and meet at the entrance station. Info: 805-488-1827.



SAT 4/1 9:30am

Cold Creek Preserve

First Saturday Walk Enjoy a spring walk-about through oak woodlands to a chaparral basin. Meet at Lower Stunt High Trailhead. 2hrs CCD

SAT 4/1 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
WODOC & the Movies

See why Franklin Canyon has been the premier film location for movies such as *It Happened One Night* and the beginning of *The Andy Griffith Show*. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

Stream to Sea Family Fun Day

April 1, 2006

Saturday, 12pm–4pm
Headwaters Corner

Join *Captain Charles Moore of the Algalita Marine Research Foundation* for a day of hands-on fun and learning including a wildlife presentation, creative water-themed activities, and an Arbor Day tree planting.

Park at Calabasas High School and take a free shuttle to this free event.

Sponsors: Mountains Restoration Trust, City of Calabasas, and Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

SAT 4/1 12:15p-2:30p

Malibu Creek State Park

Fun with Nature Children young and old can enjoy exhibits, crafts, and games at the visitor center (0.75 mile from the parking lot). MCD

SAT 4/1 5pm

Charmlee Wilderness Park
Twilight Marshmallow Hike

Roast marshmallows after the hike. Bring your own marshmallows and skewers. *Reservations required* 310-317-1364. *Parking fee.* 2hrs CMPRD

SAT 4/1 6:30pm

Franklin Canyon Ranch

Silent Night Hike Expand your wilderness awareness skills. Enjoy the silent symphony of nightlife on a moderate to strenuous walk. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 4/2 8am

Topanga State Park

Bird Walk Buffs and beginners will enjoy discovering the ways of the birds. Bring water and snack. 3hrs SC

SUN 4/2 9am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr

Aerobic Trek Get your heart pumping and legs moving while enjoying the great outdoors. 1.5hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 4/2 9am

Malibu Creek State Park

Oak Woodland Restoration Help restore beauty and habitat to the area. Credit for community service. *Reservations required* 818-591-1701 x203. 3hrs MRT

SUN 4/2 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr

Nature Rambles Observe and discuss plants, insects, and birds and their interactions on this rambling walk. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 4/2 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
The Faces of Franklin Canyon

Who were William Mulholland, Sooky Goldman, and other influential faces of this area? 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 4/2 10:30am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr

Franklin Five-Oh Join the Franklin Five-Oh group (age 50+) for our monthly series of hikes, talks, and picnic lunches. Bring snack/brown bag lunch. 2.5hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 4/2 1pm

Topanga State Park

Springtime Splendor Stroll with a docent naturalist to see what's blooming under the oaks and in the grasslands. 2hrs TCD

SUN 4/2 3pm

Franklin Canyon Ranch

Photo Fun in Franklin Canyon An experienced photographer will guide you to finding unique views in nature. *Reservations required* 310-858-7272 x131. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

Garden Tours at the Historic Adamson House

Malibu Lagoon State Beach

Tuesdays at 10am (1 hour)

For groups of 10 or more.

Reservation required:

310-456-8432

Fridays at 10am (1 hour)

For individuals

and small groups

TUE 4/4 9:45am

Suma/Trancas Canyons

Moderate Hikers: Kanan-Dume Backbone Trail

For this 8-mile, 1400' gain hike

(shorter 4-6 mile option),

meet at Newton Canyon

Trailhead. Bring water and

lunch. *Rain cancels.* Info:

310-838-5944. 4hrs SC

TUE 4/4 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr

Spring Botanical Drawing

Workshop Learn about our

native flora as you draw.

Reservations required 323-

656-3899. 4hrs WODOC/MRCA

WED 4/5 8:30am

Point Mugu State Park

Scenic Trail Repair a trail

overlooking the sea. Meet in

day-use parking lot. 4hrs SC

FRI 4/7 8pm

Temescal Gateway Park

Trail to the Stars Bring

water, jacket and flashlight.

for this moderate hike.

Meet in front parking lot.

Info: 310-454-1395 x106

or www.LAMountains.com.

Parking fee. 2hrs MRCA

SAT 4/8 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains

Santa Monica Mtns Trail

Work Tools and instructions

provided. Bring gloves, water

and lunch. Info: 310-559-

3126. 5.5hrs SC

SAT 4/8 8:30am

Backbone Trail

Trail Work-Latigo Canyon

No experience needed. Call

for site info: 818-222-4531.

6hrs SMMTC

SAT 4/8 9am

Topanga State Park

Explore Topanga State

Park Explore the ridges and

canyons of this park with a

ranger. 1.5hrs CSP

SAT 4/8 9am

Cold Creek Preserve

Riparian Habitat Restora-

tion Day Help restore habitat

(community service credit).

Reservations required 818-

591-1701 x203. 3hrs MRT

SAT 4/8 9am

Cold Creek Preserve

Beautiful Cold Creek

The canyon is alive with the

sounds of springs. Join us

on this 2-mile guided walk.

Reservations required 818-

591-1701 x203. 3hrs MRT

SAT 4/8 9am

Point Mugu State Park

La Jolla Valley Loop Trail

Enjoy scenic vistas on a 7-

mile moderate hike. Meet

at Ray Miller Trailhead, 2

miles west of Big Sycamore

Canyon. Bring lunch, water

and hat. 4hrs CW

SAT 4/8 9:30am

Headwaters Corner

Youth Naturalist Program:

Stream Ecology Dip-nets

and microscopes will reveal

the inhabitants of pools,

eddies and riffles. For ages

8-12. *FEE. Pre-registration*

required 818-591-1701 x181.

3hrs MRT

EXPOLORANDO LAS MONTAÑAS

Explore the Mountains Bilingual Family Hike 

Sábado, Abril 8 9:30am Solstice Canyon

Acompañenos en esta caminata de 3 millas, guiada por

Guardaparque Antonio Solorio, mientras aprendemos

sobre la naturaleza de este cañón. Gratis. Favor traiga

comida, agua y zapatos cómodos. Para direcciones vea

#24 (Solstice Canyon) del mapa incluido al medio de este

librito. Información/reservaciones: 805-370-2348

Saturday, April 8 9:30am at Solstice Canyon

Come join us on a 3-mile bilingual (Spanish language)

exploration hike of Solstice Canyon. Please bring lunch,

water, and comfortable shoes. Free. Info: 805-370-2301

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

SAT 4/8 10am

Charmlee Wilderness Park
Wildflower Walk A slow-paced and informative hike to see what's blooming.
Parking fee. 2hrs CMPRD

SAT 4/8 6pm

*Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr/
Amphitheater*

Franklin Family Campfire
Enjoy old-fashioned family fun with stories, singing and s'mores around the campfire.
2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 4/8 6:30pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Evening Birds Learn how birds survive at night on a casual sunset stroll around a lake. Bring binoculars. Beginning birders welcome!
2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 4/9 9am

State Parks
Weed War Help restore the natural beauty of our parklands (credit for community service). *Reservations required 818-348-5910. 5hrs CSP/CNPS*

FREE Cultural Workshop

SUN 4/9 10am to 12pm and 1pm to 3pm

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center
Free Cultural Workshop
Experience the art of storytelling with *Susan Diaz*.
Info: 805-370-230. NPS

SUN 4/9 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Hike with MIKE Experience why it's important to have nature in your life on this walk. Optional fun frisbee toss at the end of the hike. All ages are welcome. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 4/9 10am

Cold Creek Preserve
Awakening to Nature's Gift Revel in the profusion of signs of wildlife. Meet at the Preserve's lower gate.
2.5hrs CCD

SUN 4/9 11am-4pm

Headwaters Corner
Third Annual Art Exhibit
Presented by Allied Artists of the Santa Monica Mountains & Seashore. Enjoy landscape art of the Santa Monica Mountains by local artists in all mediums. MRT/AASMM

SUN 4/9 1pm

Topanga State Park
Springtime Splendor Stroll with a docent naturalist to see what's blooming under the oaks and in the grasslands. 2hrs TCD

TUE 4/11 9:30am

Circle X Ranch
Moderate Hikers Join us on a 9-mile, 1500' gain loop hike on scenic trails (shorter 4-6 mile option). Meet at Mishe Mokwa trailhead 2 miles past Ranger Station. Bring water and lunch. Info: 310-822-6848. *Rain cancels.* 4.5hrs SC

TUE 4/11 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Babes in the Woods This is a touch, feel, and smell walk for babes, up to age 3, and their moms and dads. 1hr WODOC/MRCA

TUE 4/11 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Spring Botanical Drawing Workshop Draw or paint plants while learning more about our native flora. Group size is limited. *Reservations required 323-656-3899.* 4hrs WODOC/MRCA

TUE 4/11 7pm

Headwaters Corner
The San Fernando Valley Gourd Patch/Calabaza Artisans Meeting Enjoy classes or demonstrations on decorating/embellishing the gourd. Info: 818-996-3606. 2hrs SFVGP

THUR 4/13 10am

Cold Creek Preserve
Cold Creek Meanders See a myriad of spring wildflowers and stunning views on this 4-mile walk. Wear hiking boots/sturdy shoes; bring water and snack. Meet at the Lower Stunt High Trailhead. 3hrs CNPS/MRT

THUR 4/13 6pm

Charmlee Wilderness Park
Full Moon Hike All ages welcome. *Reservations required 310-317-1364.*
Parking fee. 2hrs CMPRD

THUR 4/13 7pm

Franklin Canyon Ranch
Full Moon Hike Explore the canyon by moonlight on a moderately strenuous hike. Look and listen for wildlife. Enjoy a view of the stars and city. Fun for all ages. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

THUR 4/13 7:45pm

Coldwater Canyon Park
TreePeople Full Moon Hike Children and dogs on leash welcome. After the hike, enjoy a taste of entertainment. *Reservations required* 818-623-4866. *FEE.* 1.5hrs TP

THUR 4/13 8pm

Temescal Gateway Park
Moonlit Path Hike Experience the nocturnal world on this 1-mile moderate hike. Bring water and jacket; flashlight optional. Meet in front parking lot. Info: 310-454-1395 x106 or www.LAMountains.com. *Parking fee.* 2hrs MRCA

SAT 4/15 8:30am

Backbone Trail
Trail Work-Upper Hondo Canyon Meet at trailhead on Saddle Peak Rd (0.5 mile east of junction with Stunt Rd). Call 805-498-2475 to confirm. 6hrs SMMTC

SAT 4/15 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work Tools and instructions provided. Bring gloves, water and lunch. For more info: 310-559-3126. 5.5hrs SC

SAT 4/15 9am

Headwaters Corner
Native Plant Restoration Help restore habitat along Dry Canyon Creek (credit for community service hours). *Reservations required* 818-591-1701 x205. 3hrs MRT

SAT 4/15 9am

Malibu Creek State Park
Wildflowers of Malibu Creek Enjoy a leisurely 2-mile stroll on this docent-led walk. Meet at free parking lot on Cornell Rd about 200' south of Mulholland Hwy. 2hrs MCD

SAT 4/15 9:30am

Point Mugu State Park
Butterfly Walk Learn about butterflies and the flowers they seek on this easy hike to a waterfall. Meet at La Jolla Canyon day parking lot. Binoculars helpful. 2hrs LANABA

Wildflower Show & Wildflower Walk

April 15 and April 16
 Saturday, Sunday, 10am-4pm
Malibu Bluffs Park

Native wildflowers from botanical and home gardens on display. Plants, books, posters and more for sale. Members of the California Native Plant Society will provide a 2-hour guided walk to look at the spring wildflowers at 1pm each day.

CWP, CSP, CNPS

SAT 4/15 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Plant Adventures Discuss relationships between plants and animals on a slow hike. Bring lunch to have with further discussion afterwards. 3hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 4/15 12:15p-2:30p

Malibu Creek State Park
Fun with Nature Children young and old can enjoy exhibits, crafts, and games at the visitor center (0.75 mile from the parking lot). MCD

SAT 4/15 6pm

Cold Creek Preserve
Sunset/Moonlight Walks on Topanga Skyline Enjoy views of distant mountains and rock formations that speak of the land's history. Meet at Top of Stunt Rd with supper, a "goodie" to share and water. 3hrs MRT

SUN 4/16 8am

Malibu Creek State Park
Bird Walk Enjoy watching birds in unspoiled habitats. Bring binoculars and hiking boots. Beginners welcome. Meet in lower parking lot. 3.5hrs SFVAS

SUN 4/16 1pm

Topanga State Park
Springtime Splendor Stroll with a docent naturalist to see what's blooming under the oaks and in the grasslands. 2hrs TCD

TUE 4/18 9:30am

Topanga State Park
Conditioned Hikers Join us on an 11-mile, 1200' gain loop hike on Musch and Garapito Trails. Meet at Dead Horse Trailhead 0.1 mile from Topanga Canyon Blvd on Entrada Rd. Bring water and lunch. Info: 310-391-5004. *Rain cancels.* 5hrs SC

TUE 4/18 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Spring Botanical Drawing Workshop Draw or paint plants while learning more about our native flora. Group size is limited. *Reservations required* 323-656-3899. 4hrs WODOC/MRCA

TUE 4/18 7:30pm

Temescal Gateway Park
Chautauqua Series Temescal Canyon was a major center of the Chautauqua Movement in the 1920's and 1930's, drawing many on their quest for enlightenment. Rekindle that tradition on this program. Info: 310-454-1395 x106 or www.LAMountains.com. 1.5hrs MRCA

THUR 4/20 8am

Caballero Canyon
Thursday Moderate Hikers-Caballero Canyon, Garapito Trail to Eagle Rock Join us on a 9-mile, 1200' gain roundtrip hike. Meet in lower parking lot. Bring water, lunch, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. *Rain cancels.* Info: 323-877-9049. 4.5hrs SC

THUR 4/20 8pm

Temescal Gateway Park
Campfire Enjoy the campfire tradition of stories, songs, and marshmallows. Bring blanket and jacket. Meet at campfire center by the dining hall. Info: 310-454-1395 x106 or www.LAMountains.com. *Parking fee.* 2hrs MRCA



LECTURE SERIES

Landscapes as Art

**April 21
Friday, 7pm**

National Park Service
Visitor Center

Noted Santa Monica Mountains landscape photographer **Tom Gamache** guides us in understanding the creative elements of outdoor photography to advance one's personal artistic vision. 1.5 hours

Presented in conjunction with
UCLA Stunt Ranch Santa Monica Mountains Reserve

SAT 4/22 8am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Morning Birds of Franklin Canyon Enjoy the sounds and sights of birds gearing up for the day. Bring sturdy shoes and binoculars. No dogs please. Meet in the WODOC parking lot. 2.5hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 4/22 8:30am

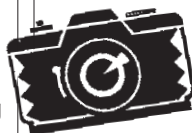
Santa Monica Mountains
Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work Tools and instructions provided. Bring gloves, water and lunch. For more info: 310-559-3126. 5.5hrs SC

SAT 4/22 8:30am

Backbone Trail
Trail Work-Topanga School Trail Help repair trails. Bring lunch, water, gloves, long-sleeve shirt and eye protection. For location: 818-222-4531. 6hrs SMMTC

SAT 4/22 10am

Franklin Canyon Ranch
Nature Rambles Observe and discuss plants, insects, and birds and their interactions on this rambling walk. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA



Call 805-370-2394
to receive info on optional
photo weekend workshop
with Tom Gamache and
Van Webster on Saturday
4/22 and Sunday 4/23.

National Park Week 2006 – April 22-30

Connecting Our Children to America's National Parks

Children of all ages can discover the history, culture and amazing places protected by our National Parks.

Junior Rangers can walk the paths of Chumash ancestors and Spanish ranchers while earning a junior ranger patch. This program is free by request and full of fun activities--including mazes, storytelling and drawing. For more information: **805-370-2301**.

If you've ever wondered what it would be like to break a secret code, be a mountain lion or mush dogs on the Alaskan tundra perhaps the **WebRanger** program is right for you. It is a virtual blast at www.nps.gov/webrangers.



SAT 4/22 11:30a-2:30p

Ranger's Favorites

Explore the beach. Rangers will be at Leo Carrillo State Park to discover what lives in tide pools. Visit our website www.nps.gov/samo or call **805-370-2301** for more information. NPS

SAT 4/22 12pm

Charmlee Wilderness Park Earth Day Hike Celebrate with a hike among wildflowers and the planting of a tree. *Reservations required* 310-317-1364. 2hrs CMPRD

SAT 4/22 6pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr Franklin Family Campfire Enjoy old-fashioned family fun with stories, singing and s'mores around the campfire. Meet at the amphitheater. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

25th Annual Great Rendezvous Hikes

April 23, 2006
Sunday, Various times

Celebrate John Muir's Birthday by joining one of five Sierra Club hikes which converge at Trippet Ranch in Topanga State Park for a birthday party from 12 to 1pm. Help decorate and consume the famous Great Rendezvous John Muir/ Sierra Birthday Cake. Bring water and lunch.

Info: 310-559-3126

SUN 4/23 9am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr Aerobic Trek Get your heart pumping and legs moving while enjoying the great outdoors. 1.5hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 4/23 1pm

Topanga State Park Springtime Splendor Stroll with a naturalist to see what's blooming. 2hrs TCD

TUE 4/25 8:30am

Malibu Creek State Park Conditioned Hikers Go on an 11-mile, 1300' gain hike from Tapia Park to Paramount and Reagan Ranch movie sets. Bring water and lunch. *Rain cancels.* Info: 310-822-6848. 5hrs SC

TUE 4/25 9:30am

Paramount Ranch Moderate Hikers Join us on a moderate 10-mile, 800' gain roundtrip hike (shorter 4-6 mile option). Bring water and lunch. *Rain cancels.* Info: 818-786-4932. 5hrs SC

TUE 4/25 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Spring Botanical Drawing Workshop Draw or paint plants while learning more about our native flora. Group size is limited. *Reservations required* 323-656-3899. 4hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 4/29 9am

Topanga State Park
Explore Topanga State Park Explore the ridges and canyons of this park with a ranger. 1.5hrs CSP

SAT 4/29 10am

Charmlee Wilderness Park
Wildflower Walk A slow-paced and informative hike to see what's blooming. *Parking fee.* 2hrs CMPRD



SAT 4/29 11am

Franklin Canyon Ranch
Franklin's Faults Get up close to earthquake faults that helped create Franklin Canyon. Learn how to prepare for earthquakes and other emergencies. *Rain cancels.* 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 4/29 6pm

Charmlee Wilderness Park
Twilight Marshmallow Hike Roast marshmallows after the hike. Bring your own marshmallows and skewers. *Reservations required* 310-317-1364. *Parking fee.* 2hrs CMPRD

SUN 4/30 8:30am

Point Mugu State Park
Weed War at 25th Annual Trail Days Restore wildflowers and young oaks in Upper Big Sycamore Canyon. Info: 818-348-5910. 6hrs CSP/CNPS

25th Annual
Santa Monica Mountains Trail Days

Saturday, April 29 to Sunday, April 30

Point Mugu State Park

Help improve trails and parks! No experience needed, just a spirit of fun and adventure. Bring yourself or a group. Free camping for volunteers Friday and Saturday nights. Wear long pants; bring gloves, hat, water and lunch. Tools provided.

For more info: 818-222-4531

CSP/NPS/CNPS/SC/SMMTC/Civilian Conservation Corps

FREE Cultural Workshop

SUN 4/30 10am to 12pm and 1pm to 3pm

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center

Free Cultural Workshop

Create your own prayer stick with **Michael Williams**. Info: 805-370-2301 NPS

SUN 4/30 1pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Sacred Geometry, Fractals & Shared Forms in Nature How are the shapes of trees and rivers alike? Expand to a new dimension of nature awareness. Optional 1-hour Fractal video to follow. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 4/30 1pm

Topanga State Park
Springtime Splendor Stroll with a docent naturalist to see what's blooming under the oaks and in the grasslands. 2hrs TCD

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The ranch house at **Will Rogers State Historic Park** is a "living window on the past."

Interested in being trained to give tours of the ranch house and grounds?

Call Michael Allan at 310-454-8212 x103.

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TUE 5/2 8:15am

Santa Monica Mountains
Conditioned Hikers-Puerto Rd to Castro Peak This is a new very strenuous 12-mile, 2800' gain hike. Meet at the Malibu Civic Ctr for rideshare to trailhead. Bring water and lunch. *Rain cancels.* Info: 818-346-6257. 5hrs SC

TUE 5/2 8:30am

Cold Creek Preserve
Moderate Hikers Enjoy an easy-paced hike with 800' gain through two canyons. Meet at Lower Stunt High Trailhead. Bring lunch, water and lugsoles. *Rain cancels.* Info: 310-828-6670. 4hrs SC

TUE 5/2 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Spring Botanical Drawing Workshop Draw or paint plants while learning more about our native flora. Group size is limited. *Reservations required* 323-656-3899. 4hrs WODOC/MRCA

WED 5/3 9a-1p

Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa
Plein Air Landscape Painting Join outdoor artists and paint a landscape. Bring your own materials. Artists may also bring paints for a group critique. Info: 805-376-0034. TOPAW

Friday, May 5 thru Sunday, May 7

21st California Trails & Greenways Conference
Renaissance Hotel, Agoura Hills, CA

Educational sessions highlighting trail management, planning and funding plus health benefits of trails.

Info and registration:
www.parks.ca.gov/trails
or 1-888-541-7783

Rattlesnake Avoidance Workshops for Canines



May 5 thru May 7
Friday thru Sunday
from 8am – 5pm*
Headwaters Corner

Your dog will learn to avoid rattlesnakes and may then warn you when one is in your area. **FEE. MRT**
***30 minute-long program**

Reservations required:
818-591-1701 x189

California State Parks May Programs



Every Saturday, 10am
Point Mugu State Park

Every Sunday, 10am
Leo Carrillo State Park

Adventure with a Ranger Join a ranger for an hour to explore some of the many wonders of the park. Bring water and meet at the entrance station. Info: 805-488-1827.

FRI 5/5 8pm

Temescal Gateway Park
Trail to the Stars Bring water, jacket and flashlight. for this moderate hike. Meet in front parking lot. Info: 310-454-1395 x106 or www.LAMountains.com. *Parking fee. 2hrs MRCA*

SAT 5/6 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work Tools and instructions provided. Bring gloves, water and lunch. For more info: 310-559-3126. 5.5hrs SC

SAT 5/6 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Trail Work Bring lunch water, work gloves, long-sleeve shirt and eye protection. Site info: 818-222-4531. 6hrs SMMTC

SAT 5/6 9am

Peter Strauss Ranch
Natural & Cultural History of Site Visit historical sites. Enjoy ferns, wildflowers, and oaks. 2hrs TCD

SAT 5/6 9am

Malibu Creek State Park
Introduction to Mountain Bike Skills Learn backcountry preparedness, shared-use etiquette, and riding fundamentals. *Bicycle and helmet required. Rain cancels.* Info: www.corbambt.com or 805-558-1606. 4hrs CORBA

SAT 5/6 9am

Malibu Creek State Park
Wildflowers of Malibu Creek Enjoy a leisurely 2-mile stroll. Meet in lower parking lot. 2hrs MCD

Garden Tours at the Historic Adamson House *Malibu Lagoon State Beach*

Tuesdays at 10am (1 hour)
 For groups of 10 or more.
Reservation required:
 310-456-8432

Fridays at 10am (1 hour)
 For individuals and small groups

SAT 5/6 9:30am

Paramount Ranch
From Set to Screen Join us on this easy-paced walk to discover movie magic and the history of Paramount Ranch. 1hr NPS

SAT 5/6 9:30am

Cold Creek Preserve
First Saturday Walk Enjoy a stroll to a chaparral basin set amidst sandstone peaks. Meet at Lower Stunt High Trailhead. 2hrs CCD

SAT 5/6 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
WODOC & the Movies See why Franklin Canyon has been the premier film location for movies such as *It Happened One Night* and the beginning of *The Andy Griffith Show*. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 5/6 10am

Charmlee Wilderness Park
Wildflower Walk A slow-paced and informative hike to see what's blooming. *Parking fee.* 2hrs CMPRD

SAT 5/6 12:15p-2:30p

Malibu Creek State Park
Fun with Nature Children young and old can enjoy exhibits, crafts, and games at the visitor center (0.75 mile from the parking lot). MCD

SAT 5/6 7pm

Franklin Canyon Ranch
Silent Night Hike Expand your wilderness awareness skills. Enjoy the silent symphony of nightlife on a moderate to strenuous walk. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 5/7 8am

Topanga State Park
Bird Walk Buffs and beginners will enjoy discovering the ways of the birds. Bring water and snack. 3hrs SC

SUN 5/7 9am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Aerobic Trek Get your heart pumping and legs moving while enjoying the great outdoors. 1.5hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 5/7 10am

Franklin Canyon Ranch
Nature Rambles Observe and discuss plants, insects, and birds and their interactions on this rambling walk. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 5/7 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
The Faces of Franklin Canyon Who were William Mulholland, Sooky Goldman, and other influential faces of this area? 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 5/7 10:30am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Franklin Five-Oh Join the Franklin Five-Oh group (age 50+) for our monthly series of hikes, talks, and picnic lunches. Bring snack/brown bag lunch. 2.5hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 5/7 1pm

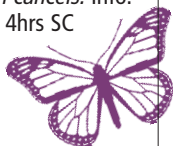
Topanga State Park
Butterflies & Bees at Work Enjoy an easy-paced walk with a docent naturalist as these pollinators flash their colors among native plants. 2hrs TCD

SUN 5/7 3pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Photo Fun in Franklin Canyon An experienced photographer will guide you to finding unique views in nature. *Reservations required* 310-858-7272 x131. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

TUE 5/9 9:30am

Circle X Ranch
Moderate Hikers are on the Trail to Nowhere Join us on this newly opened stretch of the Backbone Trail for 8 miles (shorter 4-6 mile option). Meet at the Mishe Mokwa trailhead. Bring water and lunch. *Rain cancels*. Info: 818-786-4932. 4hrs SC



TUE 5/9 9:45am

Charmlee Wilderness Park
Moderate Hikers Enjoy wildflowers and ocean views on an easy 4-mile, 600' gain hike. Bring water and lunch. *Rain cancels*. Info: 818-883-4723. 2.5hrs SC

TUE 5/9 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Babes in the Woods This is a touch, feel, and smell walk for babes, up to age 3, and their moms and dads. 1hr WODOC/MRCA

TUE 5/9 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Spring Botanical Drawing Workshop Draw or paint plants while learning more about our native flora. Group size is limited. *Reservations required* 323-656-3899. 4hrs WODOC/MRCA

TUE 5/9 7pm

Headwaters Corner
The San Fernando Valley Gourd Patch/Calabaza Artisans Meeting Enjoy classes or demonstrations on decorating/embellishing the gourd. Info: 818-996-3606. 2hrs SFVGP

FRI 5/12 8pm

Temescal Gateway Park
Moonlit Path Hike Experience the nocturnal world on this 1-mile moderate hike. Bring water and jacket; flashlight optional. Meet in front parking lot. Info: 310-454-1395 x106 or www.LAMountains.com. *Parking fee*. 2hrs MRCA

SAT 5/13 8:30am

Backbone Trail
Trail Work-Sin Nombrel/Two Foxes Trails Bring lunch water, gloves, long-sleeve shirt and eye protection. Meet at south end of Wendy Drive in Newbury Park for shuttle to the trailhead or call 818-222-4531. 6hrs SMMTC

SAT 5/13 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work Tools and instructions provided. Bring gloves, water and lunch. For more info: 310-559-3126. 5.5hrs SC

SAT 5/13 9am

Malibu Creek State Park
Oak Woodland Restoration Help restore beauty and habitat to the area (credit for community service). *Reservations required* 818-591-1701 x203. 3hrs MRT

SAT 5/13 9am

Malibu Creek State Park
Butterfly Walk Enjoy the butterflies and the flowers they seek on this easy hike. Meet in lower parking lot. Binoculars helpful. 2.5hrs LANABA

SAT 5/13 9am

Topanga State Park
Explore Topanga State Park Explore the ridges and canyons of this park with a ranger. 1.5hrs CSP

SAT 5/13 9am

Franklin Canyon Ranch
Everyday is Earthday
Learn ways to be Earth-friendly everyday (Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle), on a moderately-paced hike. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 5/13 9am

Cold Creek Preserve
Beautiful Cold Creek
Meander through shrubs graced with stately oaks. *Reservations required* 818-591-1701 x203. 3hrs MRT

SAT 5/13 9:30am

Headwaters Corner
Youth Naturalist Program- Outdoor Survival Ages 8 - 12, learn how to not get lost, and how to stay safe and comfortable if you do. Bring lunch, water, and compass; wear sturdy shoes. *FEE. Pre-registration required:* 818-591-1701x181. 3hrs MRT

SAT 5/13 6pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Franklin Family Campfire
Enjoy old-fashioned family fun with stories, singing and s'mores around the campfire. Meet in the amphitheater. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 5/13 7pm

Charmlee Wilderness Park
Full Moon Hike All ages welcome. *Reservations required* 310-317-1364. *Parking fee.* 2hrs CMPRD

SAT 5/13 7pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Evening Birds Learn how birds survive at night on a casual sunset stroll around a lake. Bring binoculars. Beginning birders welcome! 2hrs WODOC/MRCA



PUMAS, COYOTES
Y GATOS MONTECES

Sábado, 13 de mayo 10:00am Rocky Oaks

Atienda este programa en español por Guardaparque Antonio Solorio para aprender sobre la importancia de los carnívoros de estas montañas. Gratis. Para direcciones vea #22 (Rocky Oaks) del mapa incluido al medio de este librito. Información: 805-370-2348

Saturday, May 13, 10am at Rocky Oaks

Pumas, Coyotes & Bobcats Learn more about the carnivores that inhabit the Santa Monica Mountains. Program will be presented in Spanish, so come join us if you want to improve your bilingual skills. Info: 805-370-2301

SAT 5/13 7:30pm

Franklin Canyon Ranch
Full Moon Hike Explore the canyon by moonlight on a moderately strenuous hike. Look and listen for wildlife. Enjoy a view of the stars and city. Fun for all ages. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 5/14 9am

Malibu Lagoon State Beach
Weed War Remember Mother Nature today by bringing her wildflowers back to this beautiful state park (community service credit). *Reservations required* 818-348-5910. 4hrs CSP/CNPS

SUN 5/14 9:30am

Cold Creek Preserve
Canyon Reverie Marvel in the lush vegetation, a boulder home, a fern grotto and a delightful gurgling marsh. Bring water. Meet at the Preserve's lower gate. 2.5hrs CCD



**SUN 5/14
10am to 12pm
and 1pm to 3pm**

*Satuwiwa Native American
Indian Culture Center*

Free Cultural Workshop

Make a friendship bracelet and learn traditional plant uses from **Oscar Ortiz**. Info: 805-370-2301 NPS

N A T I O N A L P A R K S E R V I C E

SUN 5/14 10am

Rocky Oaks

Nature Walk See wildflowers, rock formations and more on this slow-paced walk for all ages. 2hrs TCD



SUN 5/14 11am-3pm

Malibu Lagoon State Beach

Mother's Day Tea at the Adamson House Celebrate Mother's Day Tea in the lovely gardens of the historic Adamson House. *Call for details and reservations* 310-456-8432. Fee. MLMD

SUN 5/14 1pm

Topanga State Park

Butterflies & Bees at Work Enjoy an easy-paced walk with a docent naturalist as these pollinators flash their colors among native plants. 2hrs TCD



SUN 5/14 6:30pm

Cold Creek Preserve

Sunset/Moonlight Walks on Topanga Skyline Enjoy views of distant mountains and rock formations that speak of the land's history. Meet at Top of Stunt Rd with supper, a "goodie" to share and water. 3hrs MRT

SUN 5/14 8pm

Coldwater Canyon Park

TreePeople Full Moon Hike Children and dogs on leash welcome. After the hike, enjoy a taste of entertainment. *Reservations required* 818 623-4866. FEE. 1.5hrs TP

TUE 5/16 8:30am

Zuma/Trancas Canyons

Conditioned Hikers Meet at Newton Canyon trailhead for a strenuous 12-mile 2400' gain up/down romp. Bring water and lunch. *Rain cancels.* Info: 310-454-3588. 6hrs SC

TUE 5/16 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr

Spring Botanical Drawing Workshop Draw or paint plants while learning more about our native flora. Group size is limited. *Reservations required* 323-656-3899. 4hrs WODOC/MRCA

Temescal Canyon Association

Tuesday Evening Hikes

May 16th until mid August

Meet at 6pm in Temescal Gateway parking lot to carpool to trailhead. Wear hiking boots/sturdy shoes; bring water. 2.5 hours

TUE 5/16 7:30pm

Temescal Gateway Park

Chautauqua Series Temescal Canyon was a major center of the Chautauqua Movement in the 1920's and 1930's, drawing many on their quest for enlightenment. Rekindle that tradition on this program. Info: 310-454-1395 x106 or www.LAMountains.com. 1.5hrs MRCA

WED 5/17 8:30am

Point Mugu State Park

Trail Work-Boney Trail

Help repair trails. Bring lunch water, gloves, long-sleeve shirt and eye protection. Meet at south end of Wendy Drive in Newbury Park. 6hrs SMMTC

FREE

Sunday Concerts In The Park

at Peter Strauss Ranch

May 14, 3pm - 5pm



Join the **Melvin Eddy Blues Band** for an afternoon of Blues. Melvin, who began his singing career nearly 6 decades ago, carries on the Chicago Blues tradition.

Southern California
Blues Society
in cooperation with
the National Park Service

INFO :
805-370-2301

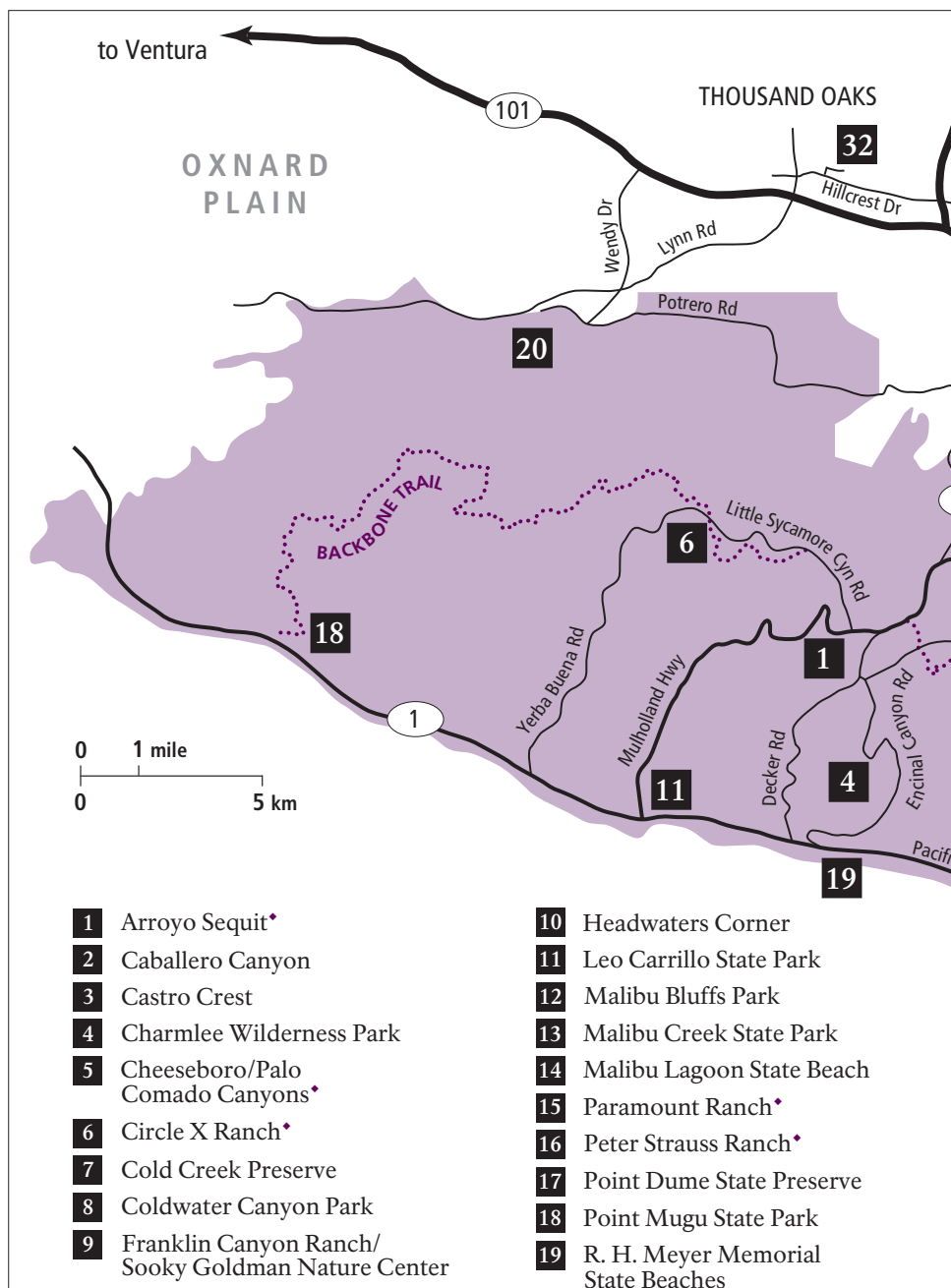
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DIRECTIONS TO PARKLAND LOCATIONS

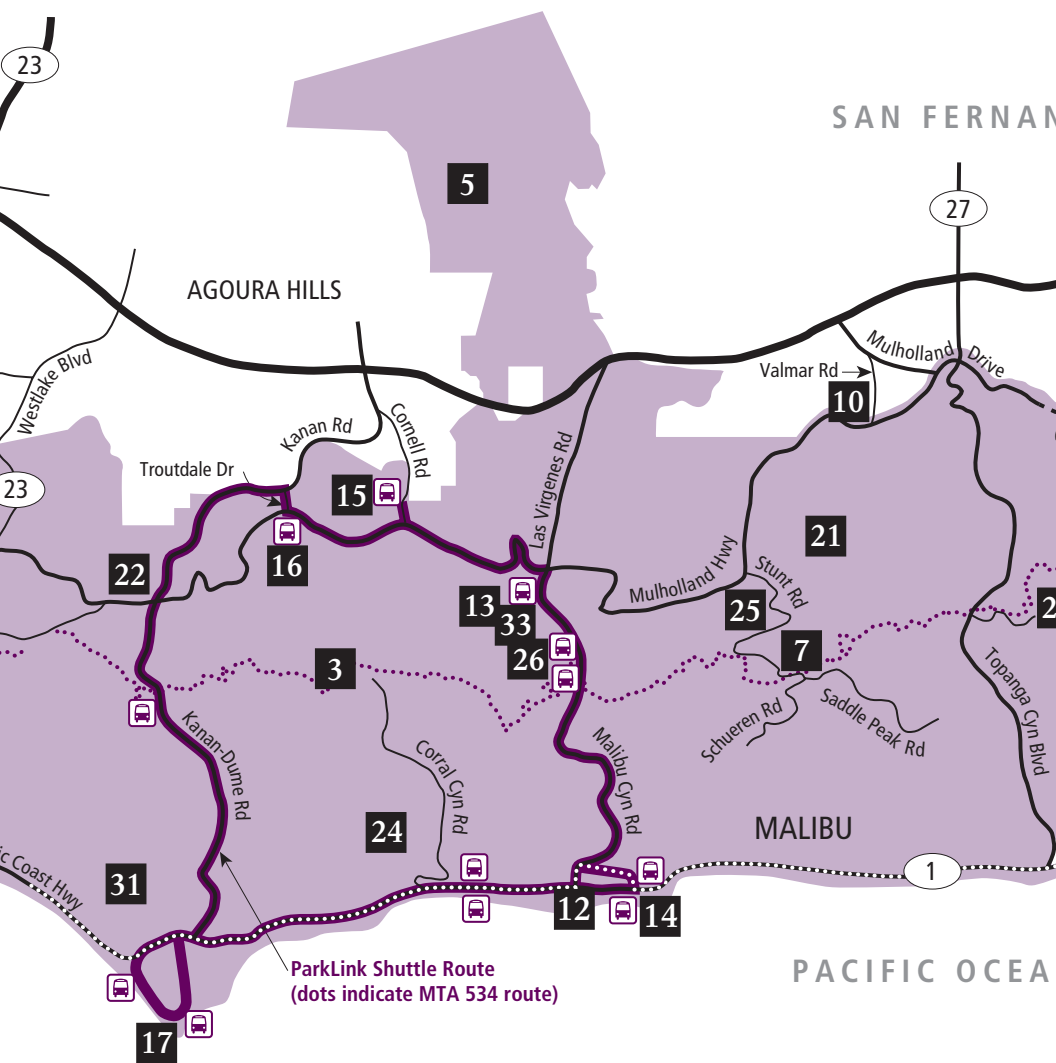
- 1 ***Arroyo Sequit** 34138 Mulholland Hwy, Malibu. Pacific Coast Hwy to Mulholland Hwy. Turn inland on Mulholland Hwy and go 6 miles to park entrance on right side of road.
- 2 **Caballero Canyon** Ventura Fwy (101) Exit Reseda Blvd, turn south.
Lower Trailhead: 1.9 miles south just past the fountains on left side.
Upper Trailhead: Marvin Braude Mulholland Gateway Park. 3.1 miles south at the end of Reseda Blvd near dirt Mulholland.
- 3 ***Castro Crest** Pacific Coast Hwy to Corral Canyon Rd (west of Malibu Canyon Rd). Follow Corral Canyon Rd to end (parking lot).
- 4 **Charmlee Wilderness Park** Pacific Coast Hwy, about 3 miles south of Ventura County line. Turn inland on Encinal Canyon Rd, 4 miles to park entrance on the left side of road.
- 5 ***Cheeseboro/Palo Comado Canyons** Ventura Fwy (101) to Chesebro Rd exit. Turn north on Palo Comado Canyon Rd then right on Chesebro Rd. Go north 1 mile to park entrance. Turn right and follow road to parking lot.
- 6 ***Circle X Ranch** Pacific Coast Hwy to Yerba Buena Rd. Turn inland; go 5.4 miles to Circle X Ranch contact station.
Sandstone Peak Trailhead: 1 mile north of Circle X Ranch contact station on Yerba Buena Rd.
- 7 **Cold Creek Preserve & Stunt Ranch Reserve Area** Ventura Fwy (101) to Topanga Canyon Blvd south to Mulholland Dr. Turn west (right) 0.25 mile. At Mulholland Hwy, turn left. 5 miles to Stunt Rd.
Lower Stunt High Trailhead: Turn left on Stunt Rd. 1 mile to pullout on right.
Preserve's Lower Gate: Turn left on Stunt Rd. 1.2 miles to pullout on right. *Permit required for walk-in visitation.*
Preserve's Upper Gate: Turn left on Stunt Rd. 3.3 miles to pullout on left. *Permit required for walk-in visitation.*
Top of Stunt Rd: Intersection of Schuere, Saddle Peak and Stunt Rds.
- 8 **Coldwater Canyon Park** Ventura Fwy (101) Exit Coldwater Canyon Ave. Go south to intersection at Mulholland Dr. Entrance is on east (left) side.
- 9 **Franklin Canyon Ranch/Sooky Goldman Nature Center**
Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr/Upper Franklin Canyon: From Ventura Fwy (101), go 2.5 miles south on Coldwater Cyn Ave. At intersection with Mulholland Dr and Franklin Cyn Dr (directly across from Coldwater Canyon Park), turn right on Franklin Cyn Dr. Go 0.5 mile and turn left at sign for William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom. Park in lot on left next to nature center. *(To go to **Franklin Canyon Ranch:** continue south on the reservoir road and Franklin Canyon Dr. Turn left on Lake Dr.)*
Franklin Canyon Ranch Site/ Lower Franklin Canyon: From Sunset Blvd, turn north on Beverly Dr. Continue on Beverly Dr by veering left at "to Coldwater Cyn Dr" sign and left at intersection with Coldwater Cyn Dr (look for Beverly Hills Fire Station #2). Turn right on Franklin Canyon Dr. Go 1 mile and turn right on Lake Dr. Park at main lot at end of road. *(To go to **Upper Franklin Canyon:** continue north on Franklin Canyon Dr, past Lake Dr. Turn right at sign for William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom. Continue to parking lot on right.)*

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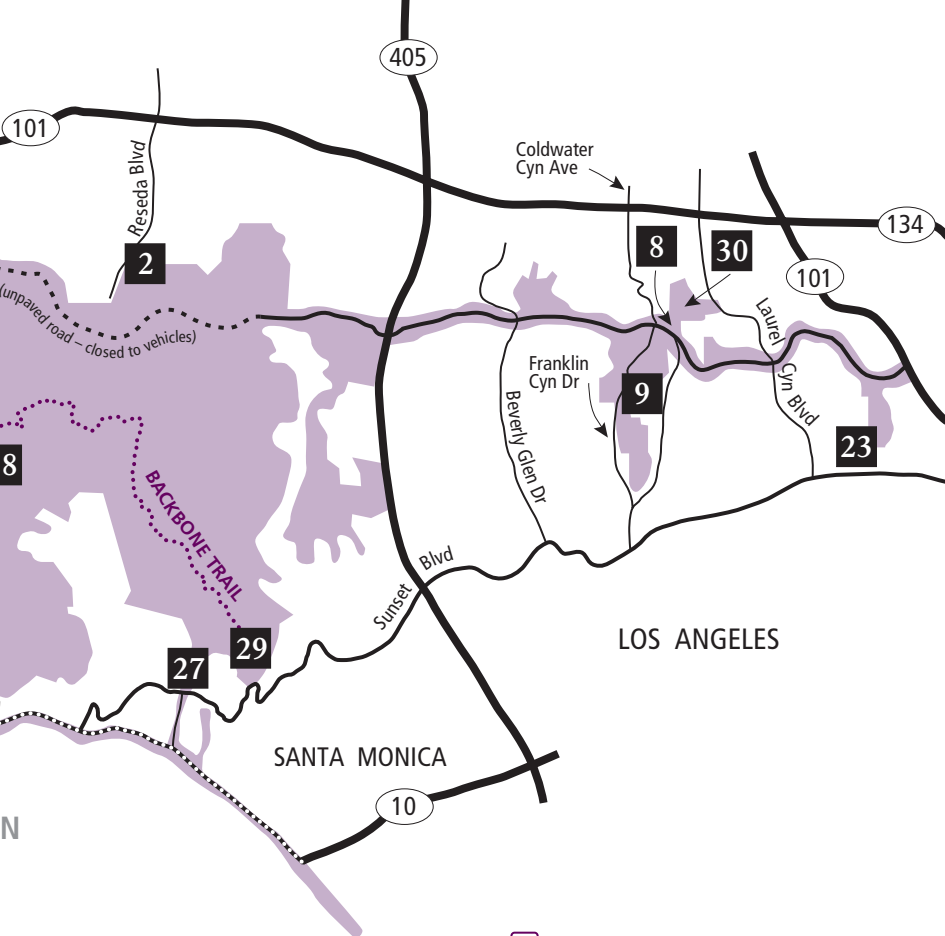


- 20** Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa*
- 21** Red Rock Canyon
- 22** Rocky Oaks*
- 23** Runyon Canyon Park
- 24** Solstice Canyon*

- 25** Stunt Ranch Reserve
- 26** Tapia Park
- 27** Temescal Gateway Park
- 28** Topanga State Park
- 29** Will Rogers State Historic Park

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INDO VALLEY



- 30** Wilacre Park
- 31** Zuma/Trancas Canyons*
- 32** National Park Service Visitor Center/Headquarters
- 33** California State Parks Office

 Indicates a ParkLINK Shuttle stop.
For more information: 1-888-734-2323

Written directions to parkland locations are on pages 17 and 21. Note: A parking fee may be required at some park sites.

*Site map available at www.nps.gov/samo

- 10 Headwaters Corner** Ventura Fwy (101) Exit Mulholland Dr/Valley Cir. Go south on Mulholland Dr to Valmar Rd. Turn right on Valmar Rd. Continue south and veer right on Mulholland Hwy. Signed entrance will be on right.
- 11 Leo Carrillo State Park** Pacific Coast Hwy at Mulholland Highway.
- 12 Malibu Bluffs Park** Pacific Coast Hwy at Malibu Canyon Road.
- 13 Malibu Creek State Park**
Ventura Fwy (101) Exit Las Virgenes Rd. Go 3 miles south on Las Virgenes Rd to Mulholland Hwy intersection (traffic light). Park entrance is 0.25 mile south of the intersection on Las Virgenes Rd /Malibu Canyon Rd. *From Pacific Coast Hwy: north on Malibu Canyon Rd to park entrance on left.*
Tapia Unit: Entrance is 1 mile south of entrance to Malibu Creek State Park.
Reagan Ranch: Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd exit. South on Kanan 0.5 mile. Left on Cornell Way and veer to right. South 3 miles to parking area on left (just past Mulholland Hwy).
- 14 Malibu Lagoon State Beach**
Pacific Coast Hwy 0.25 mile west of Malibu Pier and 1.5 miles east of Malibu Canyon Rd. Parking lot on ocean side of highway opposite Cross Creek Rd.
Adamson House: 23200 Pacific Coast Hwy. Parking lot on ocean side of Pacific Coast Hwy opposite Serra Rd.
- 15 *Paramount Ranch** Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd exit. South on Kanan 0.5 mile. Left on Cornell Way and veer to right. South 2.5 miles, entrance is on right side of the road.
- 16 *Peter Strauss Ranch** Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd exit. South on Kanan Rd 2.8 miles. Turn left on Troutdale Dr to Mulholland Hwy. Left on Mulholland Hwy then right under the arch into the parking lot. Walk back across the bridge on Mulholland Hwy and enter main gate to go into the ranch area.
- 17 Point Dume State Preserve**
Pacific Coast Hwy to Westward Beach Rd in Malibu. Turn south and follow road to parking lot.
- 18 Point Mugu State Park** Pacific Coast Hwy, 4 miles west of the Ventura County line. Enter park at Sycamore Canyon Campground.
- 19 R. H. Meyer Memorial State Beaches** Pacific Coast Hwy near Encinal Canyon Rd.
- 20 *Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa**
Ventura Fwy (101) to Lynn Rd exit. South on Lynn Rd 5.25 miles to Via Goleta. Park entrance is on the left.
Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center: Walk 0.3 mile up gravel road from the parking area to brown wooden building.
Wendy Trailhead: Ventura Fwy (101) to Wendy Dr. exit. South on Wendy Dr to dirt pullout at intersection with Potrero Rd.
- 21 Red Rock Canyon** Ventura Fwy (101) to Topanga Canyon Blvd, south to Mulholland Dr. Turn west (right). At Mulholland Hwy turn left. Drive 5 miles to Stunt Rd. Turn left. Drive 1 mile to "Stunt High Trail" sign. Park on wide dirt area on the right side of road. Cross Stunt Rd and hike 1.5 miles on Calabasas Peak Fire Road into canyon.
- 22 *Rocky Oaks** Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd. South on Kanan Rd to Mulholland Hwy. Turn west (right) on Mulholland Hwy and right again into parking lot.

23 Runyon Canyon Park Hollywood Fwy (101) to Highland Av. South to Franklin Ave. West on Franklin to Fuller, north on Fuller to dead end. Park on street. North Entrance 2.6 miles east of Laurel Canyon Blvd on Mulholland Dr.

24 *Solstice Canyon From Pacific Coast Hwy turn inland on Corral Canyon Rd. Drive 0.25 mile to park entrance on left.

25 Stunt Ranch Reserve
See number 7.

26 Tapia Park *See number 13.*

27 Temescal Gateway Park
From Pacific Coast Hwy, turn inland on Temescal Canyon Rd. Cross Sunset Blvd.

28 Topanga State Park South from Ventura Fwy (101) or north from Pacific Coast Hwy on Topanga Canyon Blvd to Entrada Rd on east (left) side of road. Turn east on Entrada Rd and make two left turns to stay on Entrada Rd to park entrance.

29 Will Rogers State Historic Park 1501 Will Rogers State Park Rd, Pacific Palisades. Pacific Coast Hwy to Sunset Blvd. Inland 5 miles on Sunset Blvd. Entrance signs on left side of road.

30 Wilacre Park Ventura Fwy (101) to Laurel Canyon Blvd, south 1.5 miles to Fryman Rd. Turn right and park along street. Entrance on Fryman Rd just off of Laurel Canyon Blvd.

31 *Zuma/Trancas Canyons
Zuma Ridge Trailhead: Pacific Coast Hwy to Busch Dr (near Zuma Beach). Go north on Busch Drive until it ends.
Zuma Canyon Trailhead: Pacific Coast Hwy to Busch Dr (near Zuma Beach). Go north on Busch Drive to Rainsford Pl. Turn right on Rainsford to Bonsall Dr. Turn left on Bonsall Dr. Parking lot at end of road.

Newton Canyon Trailhead: Ventura Fwy (101) to Kanan Rd. South on Kanan past Mulholland Hwy. Paved pullout is about 1.75 miles south of Mulholland on right, just north of Tunnel 1.

32 *National Park Service Visitor Center/Headquarters for Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area
401 West Hillcrest Dr, Thousand Oaks. Ventura Fwy (101) to Lynn Rd. North on Lynn Rd. Turn east (right) on Hillcrest Dr. Left on McCloud Ave. Turn into first driveway on your right. Follow road to the end. The visitor center is located in first building nearest road. Walk down stairs on your right hand side or take elevator down.

33 California State Parks Headquarters Ventura Fwy (101) to Las Virgenes Rd. South on Las Virgenes Rd, 3 miles to Mulholland Hwy intersection. Enter Malibu Creek State Park on Las Virgenes Rd/ Malibu Canyon Rd 0.25 mile south of the intersection. *From Pacific Coast Hwy:* north on Malibu Canyon Rd to Malibu Creek State Park entrance.



Note: To check the degree of handicap accessibility to a site, please contact the sponsoring agency or National Park Service for information.

*** Sites managed by the National Park Service**

WED 5/17 9a-1p

Rancho Sierra Vista/Satwiwa
Plein Air Watercolor Landscape Painting Join outdoor artists and paint a landscape. Bring your own materials. Info: 805-376-0034. TOPAW

THUR 5/18 8am

Zuma/Trancas Canyons
Thursday Moderate Hikers Join us on an 8-mile, 1400' gain hike with mountain and ocean views. Meet at Newton Canyon Trailhead. Bring water, lunch, lugsoles, hat and sunscreen. *Rain cancels.* Info: 323-877-9049. 4hrs SC

THUR 5/18 10am

Cold Creek Preserve
Cold Creek Meanders See a myriad of spring wildflowers and stunning views on this 4-mile walk. Wear hiking boots/sturdy shoes; bring water and lunch. Meet at Lower Stunt High Trailhead. 3hrs CNPS/MRT

THUR 5/18 8pm

Temescal Gateway Park
Campfire Enjoy the campfire tradition of stories, songs, and marshmallows. Bring blanket and jacket. Meet at campfire center by the dining hall. Info: 310-454-1395 x106 or www.LAMountains.com. *Parking fee.* 2hrs MRCA

SAT 5/20 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work Tools and instructions provided. Bring gloves, water and lunch. For more info: 310-559-3126. 5.5hrs SC

SAT 5/20 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Trail Work-Secret Trail Help repair trails. Bring lunch water, gloves, long-sleeve shirt and eye protection. For location, call 818-222-4531. 6hrs SMMTC

SAT 5/20 9am

Headwaters Corner
Native Plant Restoration Help restore habitat along Dry Canyon Creek (credit for community service hours). *Reservations required* 818-591-1701 x205. 3hrs MRT

SAT 5/20 9am

Malibu Creek State Park
Wildflowers of Malibu Creek Enjoy a leisurely 2-mile stroll on this docent-led walk. Meet at free parking lot on Cornell Rd about 200' south of Mulholland Hwy. 2hrs MCD

SAT 5/20 9am

Topanga State Park
Explore Topanga State Park Explore the ridges and canyons of this park with a ranger. 1.5hrs CSP

SAT 5/20 9:30am

Runyon Canyon Park
Geology Hike Geologist-led walk covering over 100 million years of history. Meet at north entrance to park (Mulholland Dr & Desmond Estates Rd). 2hrs FORC

SAT 5/20 9:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Wildflower Wanderers Search for a spring extravaganza of buds, boughs and blooms. Binoculars, hand lens, camera and field guide are useful but not necessary. Bring lunch and water. Call 818-348-5910 for meeting place. 4hrs CNPS

SAT 5/20 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Plant Adventures Discuss the relationships between plants and animals on a slow hike. Bring lunch to have with further discussion afterwards. 3hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 5/20 10am

Charmlee Wilderness Park
Wildflower Walk A slow-paced and informative hike to see what's blooming. *Parking fee.* 2hrs CMPRD

SAT 5/20 10:30am

Zuma/Trancas Canyon
Zuma Canyon Flower Hike On this leisurely-paced 3-mile hike, learn to identify the plants in bloom and discuss coastal plant communities. Meet at Zuma Canyon trailhead. Bring water and snack. 2.5hrs CW

SAT 5/20 11am

Franklin Canyon Ranch
Franklin's Faults Get up close to earthquake faults that helped create Franklin Canyon. Learn how to prepare for earthquakes and other emergencies. *Rain cancels.* 2hrs WODOC/MRCA



May

SAT 5/20  12:15p-2:30p

Malibu Creek State Park

Fun with Nature Children young and old can enjoy exhibits, crafts, and games at the visitor center (0.75 mile from the parking lot). MCD

Photo by Roger Berry



National Park Service

LECTURE SERIES

Ojai Raptor Rehab

May 20

Saturday, 2pm
National Park Service
Visitor Center

Do you know what to do if you find an injured bird of prey?

Kim Stroud from **Ojai Raptor Rehab** will share how injured birds of prey are rescued, rehabilitated and released. Live, non-releasable birds will illustrate her talk.

2 hours

Info: 805-370-2301

SUN 5/21 8am

Malibu Creek State Park

Bird Walk Enjoy watching birds in unspoiled habitats. Bring binoculars and hiking boots. Beginners welcome. Meet in lower parking lot. 3.5hrs SFVAS

SUN 5/21 9am

Cold Creek Preserve

Riparian Habitat

Restoration Restore native grasslands plus oak and walnut woodlands (credit for community service).

Reservations required 818-591-1701 x203. 3hrs MRT



Topanga Banjo Fiddle Contest & Folk Festival

*Since 1961,
Southern California's
Favorite Old Time
and Bluegrass
Music Event!*

SUN 5/21 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr

Hike with MIKE Experience why it's important to have nature in your life on this walk around a lake and pond. Optional fun frisbee toss at the end of the hike. All ages are welcome. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 5/21 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr

Nature Journaling Slow down and discover a new way of looking at the natural world. Bring drawing/writing materials and (optional) a folding stool/chair. 2hrs WODOC &MRCA



May 21, 2006

Sunday 9am-6pm

Paramount Ranch

Featuring contestants, folk singing, folk dancing, jamming musicians and professional bands plus exhibits about the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area. **FEE.**

Info: 818-382-4819 or

www.topangabanjofiddle.org

Topanga Banjo Fiddle Contest & Folk Festival, Inc. in cooperation with the National Park Service

SUN 5/21 1pm

Topanga State Park
Butterflies & Bees at Work
On this easy-paced walk, enjoy these pollinators flash their colors among native plants. 2hrs TCD

TUE 5/23 9am

Will Rogers State Historic Park
Moderate Hikers Inspiration Point and Chicken Ridge Bridge to the Oak Tree are the destinations on an 8-mile, 1600' gain hike (shorter 4-6 mile option). Bring water and lunch. *Rain cancels.* Info: 310-391-5004. 4hrs SC

TUE 5/23 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Spring Botanical Drawing Workshop Draw or paint plants while learning more about our native flora. Group size is limited. *Reservations required* 323-656-3899. 4hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 5/27 8am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Morning Birds of Franklin Canyon Enjoy the sounds and sights of birds gearing up for the day. Bring sturdy shoes and binoculars. No dogs please. Meet in the WODOC parking lot. 2.5hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 5/27 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work Tools and instructions provided. Bring gloves, water and lunch. For more info: 310-559-3126. 5.5hrs SC

SAT 5/27 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Trail Work Help repair trails. Bring lunch water, gloves, long-sleeve shirt, eye protection. For location, call 818-222-4531. 6hrs SMMTC

SAT 5/27 9:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Wildflower Wanderers
Search for a spring extravaganza of buds, boughs and blooms. Binoculars, hand lens, camera and field guide are useful but not necessary. Bring lunch and water. Call 818-348-5910 for meeting place. 4hrs CNPS

SAT 5/27 10am

Charmlee Wilderness Park
Wildflower Walk A slow-paced and informative hike to see what's blooming. Parking fee. 2hrs CMPRD

SAT 5/27 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Nature Rambles Observe and discuss plants, insects, and birds and their interactions on this rambling walk. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 5/27 6pm

Charmlee Wilderness Park
Twilight Marshmallow Hike
Roast marshmallows after the hike. Bring your own marshmallows and skewers. *Reservations required* 310-317-1364. *Parking fee.* 2hrs CMPRD

SAT 5/27 6pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Franklin Family Campfire
Enjoy old-fashioned family fun with stories, singing and s'mores around the campfire. Meet at the amphitheater. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA



RANGER'S FAVORITES

SATURDAY, MAY 27

WELCOME SPRING TO THE MOUNTAINS.

NPS rangers or volunteers will choose a different site to explore and a different topic each month such as *Wildflower Identification* or *Photography*. For our surprise location and time, visit:

www.nps.gov/samo or call 805-370-2301

May

SAT 5/27 8pm

Leo Carrillo State Park

Campfire Program Join a Ranger or special guest for a fun and informative program by the campfire! Info: 805-488-1827. 1hr CSP

SUN 5/28 9am

*Cold Creek Canyon/
Valley Preserve*

The Earth Speaks Inhale the sweet pungent air as you discover signs of nature's flourishing life force. Meet at Lower Stunt High Trailhead. 2hrs CCD



**SUN 5/28
10am to 12pm
and 1pm to 3pm**

*Satwiwa Native American
Indian Culture Center*

Free Cultural Workshop

Weave your own pine needle basket with **Kathryn James**. Info: 805-370-2301 NPS

SUN 5/28 10am

Malibu Bluffs Park

Bluffs Ramble to the Sea

Dip your toes into the bay plus look for dolphins, whales, and wildflowers on this 2-mile walk. 2hrs CNPS

The Los Angeles Times series, *Drawing from Nature*, a science and art lesson for kids, appears every other month on the first Sunday of the month in the Comics I section. On that day and for the next two weeks, the current article can be found on-line at:

<http://www.latimes.com/features/kids/readingroom/>

Previous stories can be seen at:

<http://nrs.ucop.edu/reserves/stunt/newsforkids.html>



SUN 5/28 1pm

Topanga State Park

Butterflies & Bees at Work

On this easy-paced walk, enjoy these pollinators flash their colors among native plants. 2hrs TCD

SUN 5/28 1pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr

Sacred Geometry, Fractals & Shared Forms in Nature

How are the shapes of trees and rivers alike? Expand to a new dimension of nature awareness. Optional 1-hour Fractal video to follow. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

TUE 5/30 9:45am

Zuma/Trancas Canyons

Moderate Hikers On this 8-mile, 1700' gain hike, go from the ridge with ocean views to streambed trails (shorter 4-6 mile option). Meet at Lower Zuma trailhead. Bring water and lunch. *Rain cancels*. Info: 310-822-6848. 4hrs SC

TUE 5/30 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr

Spring Botanical Drawing Workshop

Draw or paint plants while learning more about our native flora. Group size is limited. *Reservations required* 323-656-3899. 4hrs WODOC/MRCA

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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Interested in being trained to give tours of the ranch house and grounds?

Call Michael Allan at 310-454-8212 x103.





Garden Tours at the Historic Adamson House

Malibu Lagoon State Beach

Tuesdays at 10am (1 hour)

For groups of 10 or more.

Reservation required:

310-456-8432

Fridays at 10am (1 hour)

For individuals
and small groups

FRI 6/2 8pm

Temescal Gateway Park

Trail to the Stars On a moderate hike, discuss facts and myths about outer space. We will have a telescope; bring water, jacket and flashlight. Meet in front parking lot. Info: 310-454-1395 x106 or www.LAMountains.com. *Parking fee.* 2hrs MRCA

June 3, 2006

Saturday, 8:30am – 2:00pm

Volunteers needed to help improve National Park Service trails. This nationwide event is held every year on the first Saturday of June and is considered America's largest celebration of the outdoors.

**National
Trails Day**



For more info: 805-370-2301

NPS/CSP/SMMTC/SC

SAT 6/3 9am

Malibu Creek State Park
Introduction to Mountain Bike Skills Learn backcountry preparedness, shared-use etiquette, and riding fundamentals. *Bicycle and helmet required. Rain cancels.* Info: www.corbamtmb.com or 805-558-1606. 4hrs CORBA

SAT 6/3 9am

Will Rogers State Beach
Santa Monica Canyon Urban Exploration Join us on this 3-4-mile walk (will climb/descend 8 stairways) with views of park and sea. Meet at Rustic Canyon Park, 601 Latimer Road, Pacific Palisades. Bring snack and water; wear hat and sunscreen. 2.5hr CW

SAT 6/3 9am

Headwaters Corner
Native Plant Restoration Help restore habitat along Dry Canyon Creek (credit for community service hours). *Reservations required* 818-591-1701 x205. 3hrs MRT

SAT 6/3 9:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Wildflower Wanderers Search for a spring extravaganza of buds, boughs and blooms. Binoculars, hand lens, camera and field guide are useful but not necessary. Bring lunch and water. Call 818-348-5910 for meeting place. 4hrs CNPS

California State Parks June Programs



Every Saturday, 10am

Point Mugu State Park

Adventure with a Ranger Join a ranger for an hour to explore some of the many wonders of Sycamore Canyon. Bring water and meet at the entrance station. Info: 805-488-1827.

Every Sunday, 10am

Leo Carrillo State Park

Adventure with a Ranger Join a ranger for an hour to explore some of the many wonders of this park. Bring water and meet at the entrance station. Info: 805-488-1827.

Every Saturday, 8pm

Leo Carrillo State Park

Campfire Program Join a ranger for an hour for a fun and informative program by the campfire. Info: 805-488-1827.

SAT 6/3 9:30am

Cold Creek Preserve

First Saturday Walk Enjoy a glorious spring walk-about through oak woodlands to a chaparral basin set amidst craggy sandstone peaks. Meet at Lower Stunt High Trailhead. 2hrs CCD

SAT 6/3 9:30am

Point Mugu State Park

Sycamore to Serrano

Canyon Join us on a moderate 12-mile, 1450' gain loop hike (many stream crossings). Park in day-use lot. Bring water and lunch; wear lug-soles. Info: 310-391-5004. 5hrs SC

SAT 6/3 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr

WODOC & the Movies See why Franklin Canyon has been the premier film location for movies such as *It Happened One Night* and the beginning of *The Andy Griffith Show*. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 6/3 12:15p-2:30p

Malibu Creek State Park

Fun with Nature Children young and old can enjoy exhibits, crafts, and games at the visitor center (0.75 mile from the parking lot). MCD

SAT 6/3 7pm

Franklin Canyon Ranch

Silent Night Hike Expand your wilderness awareness skills. Enjoy the silent symphony of nightlife on a moderate to strenuous walk. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 6/3 7pm

Charmlee Wilderness Park

Bug Night See surprises at our bug light station on this family hike. *Reservations required* 310-317-1364. 2.5hrs CMPRD

SUN 6/4 8am

Topanga State Park

Bird Walk Buffs and beginners will enjoy discovering the ways of the birds. Bring water and snack. 3hrs SC

16th Annual

KIDS NATURE FESTIVAL

June 3, Saturday, 10am-4pm

Temescal Gateway Park

Activity booths, costumes, food, live music, animals, silent auction, and gift shop! For babies to 8-year-olds and their families. FEE. CNI

Info: 310-860-9484

SUN 6/4 9am

Malibu Creek State Park
Oak Woodland Restoration Help restore beauty and habitat to the area (credit for community service). *Reservations required* 818-591-1701 x203. 3hrs MRT

SUN 6/4 9am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Aerobic Trek Get your heart pumping and legs moving while enjoying the great outdoors. 1.5hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 6/4 9:30am

Topanga State Park
Summer's A-Comin' On this walk, learn how native plants and animals prepare for summer. Visit the nature center afterwards. 2hrs TCD

SUN 6/4 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Nature Rambles Observe and discuss plants, insects, and birds on this rambling walk. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 6/4 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
The Faces of Franklin Canyon Who were William Mulholland, Sooky Goldman, and other influential faces of this area? 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 6/4 10:30am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Franklin Five-Oh Join the Franklin Five-Oh group (age 50+) for our monthly series of hikes, talks, and picnic lunches. Bring snack/brown bag lunch. 2.5hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 6/4 3pm

Franklin Canyon Ranch
Photo Fun in Franklin Canyon An experienced photographer will guide you to finding unique views in nature. *Reservations required* 310-858-7272 x131. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

TUE 6/6 9:15am

Topanga State Park
Moderate Hikers Join us on a 4-mile roundtrip, 700' gain hike from Trippet Ranch to Eagle Rock. Bring water and lunch. *Rain cancels.* Info: 310-838-5944. 2.5hrs SC

TUE 6/6 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Spring Botanical Drawing Workshop Draw or paint plants while learning more about our native flora. Group size is limited. *Reservations required* 323-656-3899. 4hrs WODOC/MRCA

Temescal Canyon Association Tuesday Evening Hikes

June until mid August

Meet at 6pm in Temescal Gateway parking lot to carpool to trailhead. Wear hiking boots/sturdy shoes; bring water. 2.5 hours

WED 6/7 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Trail Work Help repair trails in Nicholas Flat. Bring lunch water, gloves, long-sleeve shirt and eye protection. For location, call 818-222-4531. 6hrs SMMTC

FRI 6/9 8pm

Temescal Gateway Park
Moonlit Path Hike Experience the nocturnal world on this 1-mile moderate hike. Bring water and jacket; flashlight optional. Meet in front parking lot. Info: 310-454-1395 x106 or www.LAMountains.com. *Parking fee.* 2hrs MRCA

SAT 6/10 8am

Backbone Trail
Trail Work-Rustic Canyon Trail Help repair trails. Meet at south end of Reseda Blvd for car shuttle to trailhead. Bring lunch, water, work gloves, long-sleeve shirt, and eye protection. For location, call 818-222-4531. 6hrs SC/SMMTC

SAT 6/10 9am

Cold Creek Preserve
Beautiful Cold Creek On this monthly adventure, follow streams, cross meadows, and walk through scented shrubs. *Reservations required* 818-591-1701 x203. 3hrs MRT/CNPS

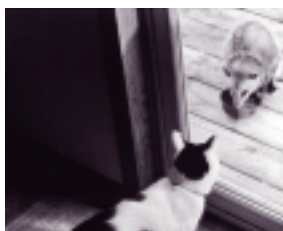
SAT 6/10 9am

Topanga State Park
Explore Topanga State Park Explore the ridges and canyons of this park with a ranger. 1.5hrs CSP

SAT 6/10 9:30am

Headwaters Corner

Youth Naturalist Program-Insects & Arthropods Find out what makes them special using microscopes, making a craft and taking a hike. For children 8-12 years old. *FEE.* Pre-registration required 818-591-1701 x181. 3hrs MRT



National Park Service

LECTURE SERIES

On the Edge: People & Wildlife

June 10

Saturday, 3pm

National Park Service
Visitor Center

See live wild animals. Learn about co-existing with our wildlife neighbors from California Wildlife Center, Mountains Restoration Trust, Mountain Lion Foundation, South Coast Wildlands Project and Nature of Wildworks. 4 hours

Info: 805-370-2301

SAT 6/10 6pm

*Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr/
Amphitheater*

Franklin Family Campfire Enjoy old-fashioned family fun with stories, singing and s'mores around the campfire. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 6/10 7pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr

Evening Birds Learn how birds survive at night on a casual sunset stroll around a lake. Bring binoculars. Beginning birders welcome! 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 6/11 9am

California State Parks

Weed War Help restore the natural beauty of our parklands (community service credit). *Reservations required* 818-348-5910. 5hrs CSP/CNPS

SUN 6/11 9:30am

Topanga State Park

Summer's A-Comin' Join a docent-led walk to learn how native plants and animals prepare for summer. Visit the nature center afterwards. 2hrs TCD

SUN 6/11 10am

Rocky Oaks

Nature Walk See wildflowers, rock formations and more on this slow-paced walk for all ages. 2hrs TCD

SUN 6/11 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr

Nature Journaling Slow down and discover a new way of looking at the natural world. Bring drawing/writing materials and (optional) a folding stool/chair. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA



Sunday, June 11

**10am to 12pm
and 1pm to 3pm**



Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center

Learn to make gourd art with **David Snook**. (Reservations required, class size limited).
Reservations and info: 805-375-1930

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

FREE

Sunday Concerts In The Park

at Peter Strauss Ranch

June 11, 3pm - 5pm

Join us for an afternoon of Blues.
Artist to-be-announced.

Southern California
Blues Society
in cooperation with
the National Park Service



INFO :
805-
370-2301

TUE 6/13 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Babes in the Woods This is a touch, feel, and smell walk for babes, up to age 3, and their moms and dads. 1hr WODOC/MRCA

TUE 6/13 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Spring Botanical Drawing Workshop Draw or paint plants while learning more about our native flora. Group size is limited. *Reservations required* 323-656-3899. 4hrs WODOC/MRCA

TUE 6/13 7pm

Headwaters Corner
The San Fernando Valley Gourd Patch/Calabaza Artisans Meeting Enjoy classes or demonstrations on decorating/embellishing the gourd. Info: 818-996-3606. 2hrs SFVGP

THUR 6/15 8am

Caballero Canyon
Thursday Moderate Hikers-Valley to the Sea An all-day adventure with a 10-mile, 800' gain, 2300' loss hike. Ride 3 buses and car shuttle back to start. Meet at upper parking lot. Bring bus fare, water, lunch, lugsoles, hat and sunscreen. *Rain cancels.* Info: 323-877-9049. 8hrs SC

SUN 6/11 6:15pm

Cold Creek Preserve
Sunset/Moonlight Walks on Topanga Skyline Enjoy views of distant mountains and rock formations that speak of the land's history. Meet at Top of Stunt Rd with supper, a "goodie" to share and water. 3hrs MRT

SUN 6/11 8pm

Franklin Canyon Ranch
Full Moon Hike Explore the canyon by moonlight on a moderately strenuous hike. Look and listen for wildlife. Enjoy a view of the stars and city. Fun for all ages. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA



SUN 6/11 8pm

Charmlee Wilderness Park
Full Moon Hike All ages welcome. *Reservations required* 310-317-1364. *Parking fee.* 2hrs CMPRD

SUN 6/11 8pm

Coldwater Canyon Park
TreePeople Full Moon Hike Children and dogs on leash welcome. After the hike, enjoy a taste of entertainment. *Reservations required* 818 - 623-4866. *FEE.* 1.5hrs TP

TUE 6/13 8:30am

Solstice Canyon
Conditioned Hikers Enjoy waterfalls and ocean views on this 8-mile, 2600' gain loop. Bring water and lunch. *Rain cancels.* Info: 310-822-6848. 3hrs SC

THUR 6/15 10am

Cold Creek Preserve

Cold Creek Meanders See a myriad of spring wildflowers and stunning views on this 4-mile walk. Wear hiking boots/sturdy shoes; bring water and snack. Meet at the Lower Stunt High Trailhead. 3hrs CNPS/MRT

THUR 6/15 8pm

Temescal Gateway Park

Campfire Enjoy the campfire tradition of stories, songs, and marshmallows. Bring blanket and jacket. Meet at campfire center by the dining hall. Info: 310-454-1395 x106 or www.LAMountains.com. Parking fee. 2hrs MRCA

SAT 6/17 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains

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SAT 6/17 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains

Trail Work Help repair trails. Bring lunch water, gloves, long-sleeve shirt, and eye protection. For location, call 818-222-4531. 6hrs SMMTC

SAT 6/17 9:30am

Paramount Ranch

From Set to Screen Illusions and hard work turn a dusty set into a realistic town. Join us on this easy-paced walk to discover movie magic and the history of Paramount. Ranch. 1hr NPS



SAT 6/17 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr

Plant Adventures Discuss the relationships between plants and animals on a slow hike. Bring lunch to have with further discussion afterwards. 3hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 6/17 12:15p-2:30p

Malibu Creek State Park

Fun with Nature Children young and old can enjoy exhibits, crafts, and games at the visitor center (0.75 mile from the parking lot). MCD

SAT 6/17 7:30pm

Franklin Canyon Ranch

Summer Solstice Hike Discuss seasonal changes. Identify planets and constellations on a moderate hike. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SUN 6/18 8am

Malibu Creek State Park

Bird Walk Enjoy watching birds in unspoiled habitats. Bring binoculars and hiking boots. Beginners welcome. Meet in lower parking lot. 3.5hrs SFVAS



SUN 6/18 9:30am

Topanga State Park

Summer's A-Comin' Join a docent-led walk to learn how native plants and animals prepare for summer. Visit the nature center afterwards. 2hrs TCD

SUN 6/18 10am

Cold Creek Preserve

Summer Solstice Walk Marvel at a hermit-built boulder home and a melodic marshland; savor majestic oak woodlands. Meet at Preserve's lower gate. 2.5hrs CCD

SUN 6/18 10am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr

Hike with MIKE Experience why it's important to have nature in your life on this walk around a lake and pond. Optional fun frisbee toss at the end of the hike. All ages are welcome. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

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California State Parks



Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, 6/19-6/30 10am

Leo Carrillo State Park

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6/20-6/29 10am

Point Mugu State Park-Sycamore Canyon

Junior Rangers Kids age 7-12, have fun and learn about natural and cultural treasures on a one-hour program! Meet at the campground entrance station. Info: 805-488-1827.

TUE 6/20  **9:30am**

Solstice Canyon

Moderate Hikers Join us on a 7-mile, 2000' gain hike from the Roberts Ranch to Deer Valley (shorter 4-6 mile option). Bring water and lunch. *Rain cancels.* Info: 310-394-7354. 4hrs SC

TUE 6/20 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Spring Botanical Drawing Workshop Draw or paint plants while learning more about our native flora. Group size is limited. *Reservations required* 323-656-3899. 4hrs WODOC/MRCA

TUE 6/20 7:30pm

Temescal Gateway Park
Chautauqua Series Temescal Canyon was a major center of the Chautauqua Movement in the 1920's and 1930's, drawing many on their quest for enlightenment. Rekindle that tradition on this program. Info: 310-454-1395 x106 or www.LAMountains.com. 1.5hrs MRCA

THUR 6/22 8am

Cold Creek Preserve

Thursday Moderate Hikers-Cold Creek to Saddle Peak Loop Join us for an 8-mile 1500' gain hike with valley and ocean views. Meet at Lower Stunt High Trailhead. Bring water, lunch, lugsoles, hat and sunscreen. *Rain cancels.* Info: 818-885-1920. 4hrs SC

SAT 6/24 8am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Morning Birds of Franklin Canyon Enjoy the sounds and sights of birds gearing up for the day. Bring sturdy shoes and binoculars. No dogs please. Meet in the WODOC parking lot. 2.5hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 6/24 8:30am

Malibu Creek State Park
Trail Work-Forest Trail Help repair this trail near Century Lake. Bring lunch water, gloves, long-sleeve shirt and eye protection. Meet in lower parking lot. Info: 805-498-2475. 6hrs SMMTC

SAT 6/24 8:30am

Santa Monica Mountains
Santa Monica Mountains Trail Work Tools and instructions provided. Bring gloves, water and lunch. For more info: 310-559-3126. 5.5hrs SC



RANGER'S FAVORITES

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

EXPLORE AND DISCOVER THE PARK WITH A RANGER.

NPS rangers or volunteers will choose a different site to explore and a different topic each month such as *Bird Identification* or *Stories of the Chumash*. For our surprise location and time, visit: www.nps.gov/samo or call 805-370-2301

SAT 6/24 9am

Topanga State Park
Explore Topanga State Park Explore the ridges and canyons of this park with a ranger. 1.5hrs CSP

SAT 6/24 9am

Cold Creek Preserve
Riparian Habitat Restoration Day Restore native grasslands and woodlands (credit for community service). *Reservations required* 818-591-1701 x203. 3hrs MRT

SAT 6/24 10am

Franklin Canyon Ranch
Nature Rambles Observe and discuss plants, insects, and birds and their interactions on this rambling walk. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 6/24 11am

Franklin Canyon Ranch
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SAT 6/24 6pm

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Franklin Family Campfire Enjoy old-fashioned family fun with stories, singing and s'mores around the campfire. Meet in the amphitheater. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA

SAT 6/24 6:30pm

Charmlee Wilderness Park
Twilight Marshmallow Hike Roast marshmallows after the hike. Bring your own marshmallows and skewers. *Reservations required* 310-317-1364. *Parking fee*. 2hrs CMPRD

SUN 6/25 9:30am

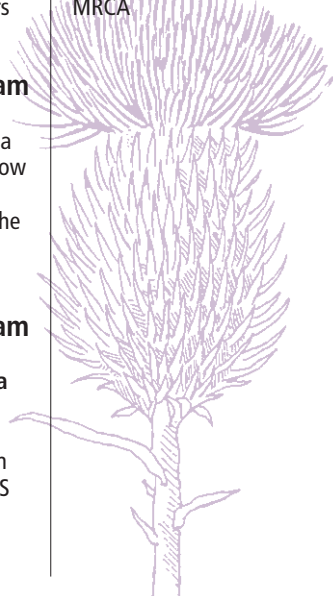
Topanga State Park
Summer's A-Comin' Join a docent-led walk to learn how native plants and animals prepare for summer. Visit the nature center afterwards. 2hrs TCD

SUN 6/25 10am

Malibu Bluffs Park
Bluffs Ramble to the Sea Dip your toes into the bay plus look for dolphins, whales, and wildflowers on this 2-mile walk. 2hrs CNPS

SUN 6/25 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Runaway Plants Learn how runaway members of invasive plant species threaten to take over the California native landscape. 2hrs WODOC/MRCA



Sunday, June 25

**10am to 12pm
and 1pm to 3pm**

Satwiwa Native American Indian Culture Center

Draw and paint with **Michael Williams**.
Info: 805-370-2301

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June 25, 3pm - 5pm

Toni Jannotta returns to Peter Strauss Ranch. Come hear jazz in her straight-ahead vocalese style.

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TUE 6/27 9am

Topanga State Park
Moderate Hikers Hike from Los Liones Canyon to Parker Mesa Overlook on this 7-mile, 1700' gain hike (shorter 4-6 mile option). Meet at end of Los Liones Drive off Sunset Blvd. Info: 310-822-6848. Bring water and lunch. *Rain cancels.* 4hrs SC

TUE 6/27 11am

Sooky Goldman Nature Ctr
Spring Botanical Drawing Workshop Draw or paint plants while learning more about our native flora. Group size is limited. *Reservations required* 323-656-3899. 4hrs WODOC/MRCA

THUR 6/29 8am

Malibu Creek State Park
Thursday Moderate Hikers Join us on an 8-mile 600' gain hike on Lookout Trail, then along Century Lake to the dam, and back to the Reagan picnic area. Bring water, lunch, lugsoles, hat, and sunscreen. *Rain cancels.* Info: 818-360-4414. 4hrs SC

NOTE: Session 2 and Session 3 will be held the last week of July and August 2006

SUN 6/25 4pm

Topanga State Park
Long Day's Night Hike This is a moderate 7-mile hike. Meet at Santa Ynez Trailhead (from Hwy 1, East on Sunset Blvd 0.5 mile; Left on Palisades Drive 2.5 miles; Left on Vereda de la Montura to the gate). Bring snack and water. Info: 310-559-3126. 4hrs SC

Info & Reservations:

Susan Haugland
818-591-1701
x181



Nature Discovery Camp -1st Session

June 26 – June 29

Monday - Thursday, 9am
Headwaters Corner

Children ages 8-12 will discover the wonders of nature with the aid of scientific tools, hands-on activities, crafts, games and listening to engaging talks by guest speakers. Each session will be centered on a different theme and include a guided hike. Pre-registration is required and enrollment is limited. Nominal fee. 4.5 hours.

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HIKING & SAFETY TIPS



Channel Rain by Michael Reyburn, Spirit of the Mountains Photo Contest 2005 Winner—2nd Place, Scenic Shots.

Ticks are plentiful. Some of them carry diseases. Check your clothing and exposed skin after hiking.

Southern Pacific Rattlesnakes make the mountains their home. Stay away from them, and they won't bother you. In case of a rattlesnake bite, DO NOT make an incision or try to draw out venom. Splint the extremity and transport victim to an emergency room.

Wear sturdy **footwear**—hiking boots or sneakers with good tread.

Poison oak can be identified by its clusters of three shiny leaflets. The best way to avoid it is to stay on trails.

Never hike alone, use the buddy system. That leaves someone to go for help if you encounter trouble.

Help prevent wildfire. Do not smoke on trails or in brush areas. Do not build fires on the ground.

Carry plenty of **water** and drink it. One quart for short walks, more for longer hikes.

Note: Whether you are an equestrian, hiker, or mountain bicyclist, please help us protect our natural areas by staying on designated trails. Be considerate of other trail users and respect private land.

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The National Park Service Visitor Center is located at 401 West Hillcrest Drive in Thousand Oaks.

Hours: Daily, 9am to 5pm
Closed on some holidays.

The visitor center staff can answer questions about parks and programs in Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area, as well as other national parks in the United States.

While you are in the visitor center, browse through our exhibit and sales area. Sales support educational programs in Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area.

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Take the Ventura Freeway (Hwy 101) to Lynn Road, then go north on Lynn Road. Turn east (right) on Hillcrest Drive, and left on McCloud Ave. Turn into the first driveway on your right. Follow the road to the parking lot.

The visitor center is located in the first building nearest the road. Walk down the stairs on your right hand side or take the elevator down.

***The choices we
make will affect
generations to come.***

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How can you help?

Recycle in your parks.

Place your recyclables in specially designated containers throughout the park. Food and other non-recyclable items should go into garbage cans.

Ride with a friend.

Carpooling to park sites is always encouraged.

Help save a tree.

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